

Wildlife Division PO Box 200701 Helena, MT 59620-0701 April 15, 2016

Dear Interested Person:

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) is requesting public review and comment on the following items. Supporting information on this item can be found on our website under "Opportunity for Public Comment" at fwp.mt.gov/hunting/ and or directly by using the links below.

2016 Mountain Goat Quotas Outside Biennial Quota Ranges - Proposed

FWP proposes to reduce either-sex mountain goat licenses in HD 460 (Highwood Mountains) from 4 to 2 for the 2016 season, and change the quota range from 3-7 to 1-7. The reduction is necessary because of poor kid production in recent years.

2016 Mountain Lion Quotas - Proposed

Changes to lion quotas are proposed in the hunting districts below. Quota adjustments in HDs 350/370 are to increase hunting opportunity, those in HD 380 are to address low mule deer numbers, and those in HDs 390/391 and 392 are needed because of recent boundary changes. All other quotas/subquotas not listed are proposed to be unchanged from 2015 levels. Quotas apply to "any legal lion" unless otherwise noted.

| | Current Quotas | | Proposed Quotas | |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Hunting District | Total Quota | Female Subquota | Total Quota | Female Subquota |
| 350/370 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| 380 | 6 | 2 | 10 | 4 |
| 390/391 | 8 | 4 | 10 | 5 |
| 392 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 1 |

TO MAKE A COMMENT

For further clarification or additional materials, you may call the Wildlife Division office at 406-444-2612 or email at fwpwld@mt.gov. Comments will be accepted: online by using any of the links below; in writing sent to the address above; and by email to fwpwld@mt.gov.

COMMENT PERIOD DEADLINE & FINAL ADOPTION MEETING

All proposed items will be accepting public comments until May 20th at 5 p.m. with final adoption at the June Commission meeting.

✓ 2016 Mountain Goat Quotas Outside Biennial Quota Ranges
http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/publicComments/2016/mountainGoatQuotas.html

✓ 2016 Mountain Lion Quotas

http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/publicComments/2016/mountainLionQuotas.html